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AT 2330, NOVEMBER 29, AT XT 776166 ON SAIGON RIVER NEAR TUONG BINH HIEP VILLAGE, CHAU THANH DISTRICT, BINH DUONG PROVINCE, FOUR PBR'S OF 52ND RIVER ASSAULT GROUP STRUCK MINES. RESULTS, THREE PBR'S SUNK, ONE 50 PERCENT DAMAGED. GVN SAILORS: CONFIDENTIAL

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2 KIA, 7 WIA, 7 MIA; ONE CIVILIAN WOMAN KIA. CONGEN POLOFF

LEARNED PBR'S TIE UP AT TUONG BINH HIEP VILLAGE EVERY NIGHT AT SAME TIME TO BUY FRIED SHRIMP AND BEER FROM CIVILIAN LADY WHO WAS KIA. BELIEVED VC WATER SAPPER UNIT PLACED MINES IN ANTICIPATION OF NAVY'S NIGHTLY VISIT. INCIDENT SEEMS TO BE PART OF CONTINUING VC ATTACK AGAINST GVN SHIPS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AND COMES ON HEELS OF VC WATER SAPPER ATTACK NOVEMBER 15 AT PHU CUONG BRIDGE WHICH SUNK TWO LCM'S AND DAMAGED ONE M-6 AND ONE M-8. BIRD

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